

PATENT APPLICATION 3/21/02
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hidenori YAMANAKA, et al.

Rule 1.53(d) CPA of Appln. No.: 09 317,986

Group Art Unit: 1771

Confirmation No.: 9754

Examiner: C. Pratt

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For:

MELT-BLOWN, NON-WOVEN FABRIC OF POLYARYLENE SULFIDE AND

METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING CPA

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please add the following new claim 21:

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21 (New). The melt-blown, non-woven fabric according to claim 1 which has a non-Newtonian coefficient of 1.06-1.19.